February 2, 2005

Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Supporting Comments - Sandwich Isles Communications, Inc. - Petition for Waiver of the Definition of "Study Area," CC Docket No. 96-45

## Dear Ms Dortch:

Hui Maka'ainana a Kalawahine, a grassroots pro active community group of Kalawahine Hawai'ian Homesteaders on the Island of O'ahu, supports the petition for waiver submitted by Sandwich Isles Communications, Inc.

As a pro active Hawai'ian Homestead community group, we are inspired by the entrepreneurship of a native Hawai'ian and the services that is provided by Sandwich Isles Communications. We support Sandwich Isles serious commitment to serve beneficiaries on Hawai'ian Home Lands throughout the state of Hawai'i.

We support Sandwich Isles Communications as our exclusive telephone service provider because Sandwich Isles Communications understands the needs of beneficiaries and has created opportunities towards the betterment of health, education, well being, job opportunities and native Hawai'ian advancement through high-tech telephone networking. We are thankful to Sandwich Isles communications for supporting our Hawai'ian Homestead Communities in our efforts to fulfill the legacy of our benefactor, Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalaniana'ole.

Please accept our sincere recommendation for the continued service of Sandwich Isles Communications as our exclusive telephone service provider and our support for their petition for waiver.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Kakedon fashi-land

Kahealani Keahi-Wood

Alaka'i, Hui Maka'ainana a Kalawahine

Vice President, Kalawahine Streamside Association